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# DEPUTY INVOLVED HIT SHOOTING

## INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

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| **CASE NUMBER:** | **SH2358213** |
| **SUSPECT:** | **James Jaimez MH/ 11/19/1984** |
| **STATION/UNIT/BUREAU:** | **Major Crimes/Detective Division** |
| **DATE/TIME:** | **June 25, 2014, 1700 hours** |
| **LOCATION:** | **Bear Valley Road/Central Road, Apple Valley CA 92307** |

On June 25, 2014, Internal Affairs Bureau Lieutenant Quitman Carter, Sergeants Pat Morris, Trent Dennison, and Slade Carrizosa, responded to Apple Valley in San Bernardino County, regarding an officer involved shooting involving personnel from Major Crimes Bureau (MCB). Suspect James Jaimez sustained twenty one gunshot wounds **(Exhibit A, tabs 39-40)**, and was pronounced dead at the location. Deputy [redacted] #[redacted] sustained a minor abrasion/cut to the back of the neck from a round fired into her vehicle by Suspect Jaimez.

Detectives [redacted], [redacted], [redacted], and [redacted] under the command of Sergeant [redacted] from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau arrived and assumed control of the investigation. For further information refer to the San Bernardino County Homicide case book under file number DR# 181403525, H#2014-059, **(Exhibit A)**.

> **IAB Note:** **The San Bernardino County Homicide case book is numbered with tabs not page numbers. The IAB summary will refer to tabs to maintain the integrity of the Homicide investigation. IAB Sergeant Jeff Hamil removed the Homicide case book from the three ring binder and included it, intact, in the IAB case book.**

Lieutenant Carter took reasonable steps to ensure involved and witness personnel did not discuss the incident amongst themselves. The incident took place in San Bernardino County and therefore, had to comply with their jurisdictional investigative protocols.

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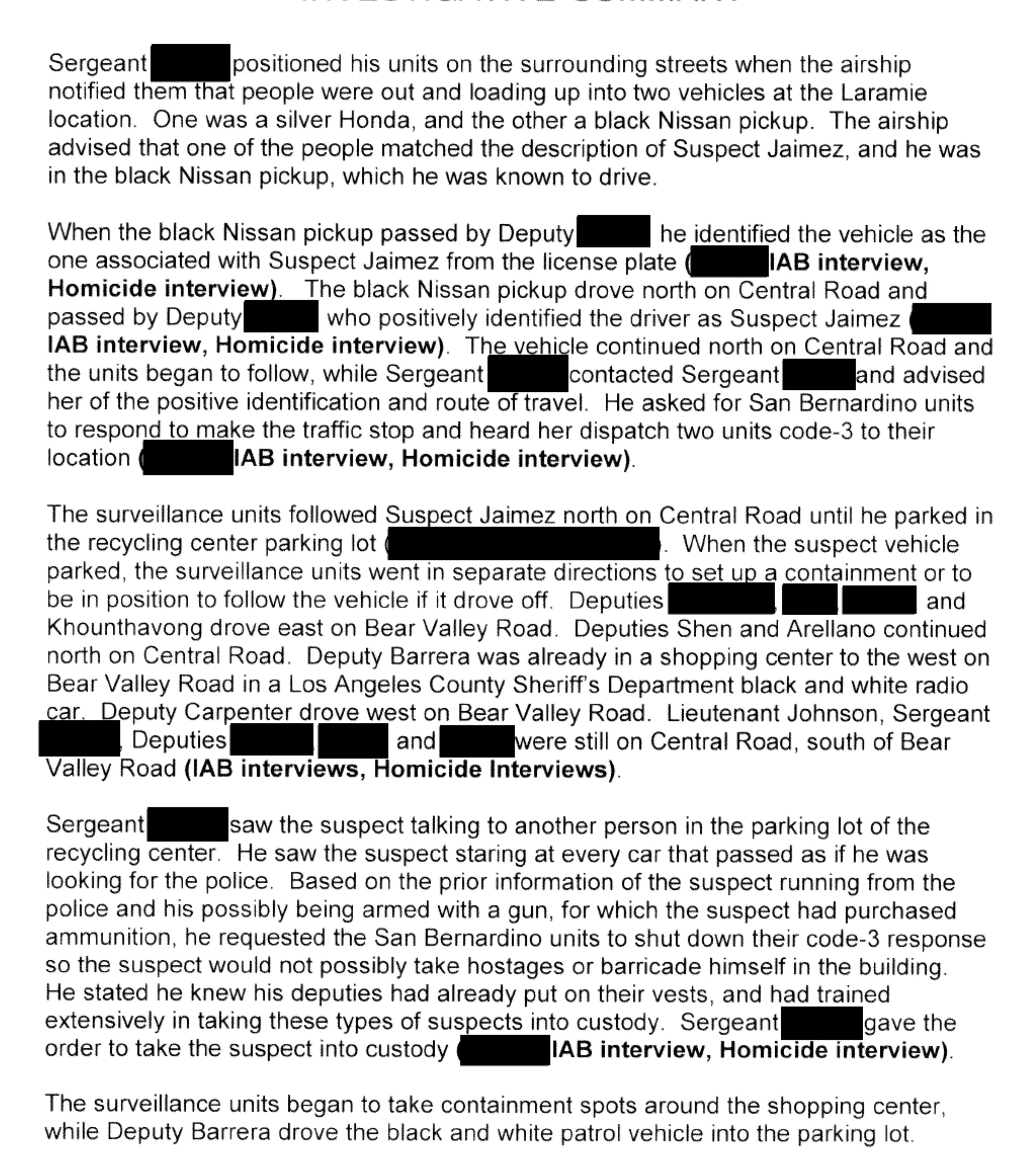
**SYNOPSIS**

On June 4, 2014, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Homicide investigator Brent House was investigating a homicide in the City of Montebello (014-00044-3199-011). The victim was [redacted] and he suffered an apparent gunshot wound to the head.

The investigation revealed that the suspect responsible for the homicide was James Jaimez (Suspect Jaimez). Homicide investigators obtained a warrant for Suspect Jaimez and tasked Major Crimes Bureau, Fugitive Task Force and Surveillance and Apprehension team two, to locate the suspect.

For approximately three weeks, Major Crimes Bureau conducted numerous search warrants, and surveillances encompassing three counties. Each day, before the teams were deployed, a briefing was conducted by Sergeant [redacted] on tactics and a plan if they located the suspect. **(IAB transcribed interviews of Lieutenant Donnie Johnson, Sergeant [redacted], Deputies [redacted], Arturo Barrera, Michael Carpenter, [redacted] and John Khounthavong).** During the search for the suspect, Investigators learned that Suspect Jaimez committed an assault with a deadly weapon in the city of Upland which is documented in a police report **(Miscellaneous Documents)**. Suspect Jaimez was also involved in a high speed pursuit with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department in Adelanto. The vehicle crashed, and Suspect Jaimez escaped, but he left numerous firearms behind in the vehicle.

On June 25, 2014, Major Crimes Bureau tracked a [redacted] used by a friend of Suspect Jaimez' [redacted] **(Witness [redacted] Exhibit A, tab 36).** MCB investigators followed the [redacted] from the city of Corona to [redacted] The Major Crimes Bureau had surveilled that address before, but due to its remote location, could not get close enough to positively identify the suspect. They requested a fixed wing aircraft to surveil the location **(Witnesses Deputy Michael Luther and Sergeant John Haughey, Exhibit A tab 18, and IAB transcribed interviews)** while the Major Crimes Bureau personnel arrived near the area and were briefed by Sergeant [redacted] Sergeant [redacted] also made contact, and maintained communication, with Sergeant [redacted] from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department – Apple Valley Station. He arranged for San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department patrol units to make a traffic stop if the suspect was positively identified and drove away from the location **(Sergeant [redacted] IAB transcripts page four)**.



Sergeant [redacted] positioned his units on the surrounding streets when the airship notified them that people were out and loading up into two vehicles at the Laramie location. One was a silver Honda, and the other a black Nissan pickup. The airship advised that one of the people matched the description of Suspect Jaimez, and he was in the black Nissan pickup, which he was known to drive.

When the black Nissan pickup passed by Deputy [redacted] he identified the vehicle as the one associated with Suspect Jaimez from the license plate ([redacted] **IAB interview, Homicide interview)**. The black Nissan pickup drove north on Central Road and passed by Deputy [redacted] who positively identified the driver as Suspect Jaimez ([redacted] **IAB interview, Homicide interview)**. The vehicle continued north on Central Road and the units began to follow, while Sergeant [redacted] contacted Sergeant [redacted] and advised her of the positive identification and route of travel. He asked for San Bernardino units to respond to make the traffic stop and heard her dispatch two units code-3 to their location ([redacted] **IAB interview, Homicide interview)**.

The surveillance units followed Suspect Jaimez north on Central Road until he parked in the recycling center parking lot ([redacted]. When the suspect vehicle parked, the surveillance units went in separate directions to set up a containment or to be in position to follow the vehicle if it drove off. Deputies [redacted], [redacted] [redacted] and Khounthavong drove east on Bear Valley Road. Deputies Shen and Arellano continued north on Central Road. Deputy Barrera was already in a shopping center to the west on Bear Valley Road in a Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department black and white radio car. Deputy Carpenter drove west on Bear Valley Road. Lieutenant Johnson, Sergeant [redacted], Deputies [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted] were still on Central Road, south of Bear Valley Road **(IAB interviews, Homicide Interviews)**.

Sergeant [redacted] saw the suspect talking to another person in the parking lot of the recycling center. He saw the suspect staring at every car that passed as if he was looking for the police. Based on the prior information of the suspect running from the police and his possibly being armed with a gun, for which the suspect had purchased ammunition, he requested the San Bernardino units to shut down their code-3 response so the suspect would not possibly take hostages or barricade himself in the building. He stated he knew his deputies had already put on their vests, and had trained extensively in taking these types of suspects into custody. Sergeant [redacted] gave the order to take the suspect into custody ([redacted] **IAB interview, Homicide interview)**.

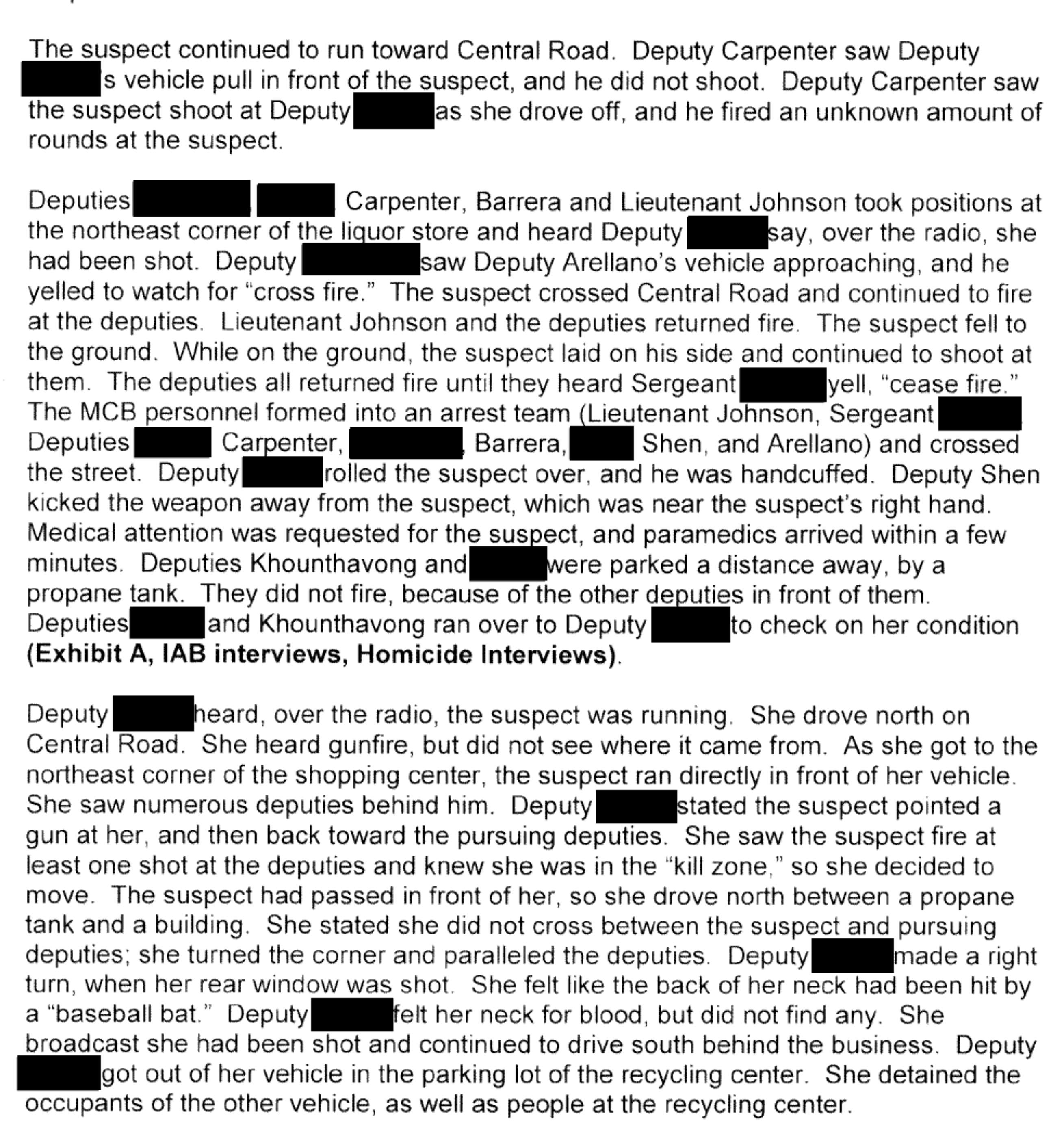
The surveillance units began to take containment spots around the shopping center, while Deputy Barrera drove the black and white patrol vehicle into the parking lot.

As soon as the suspect saw Deputy Barrera, the suspect ran in a southeast direction to the east side of the recycling center, and he retrieved a handgun from his waistband. Deputies Carpenter and [redacted] pulled into the parking lot with Deputy Barrera. Deputies Shen and Arellano took positions to the northeast of the shopping center. Lieutenant Johnson drove around the northeast side of the shopping center, then drove south behind the center.

Sergeant [redacted] parked his vehicle north of the recycling center to see if the suspect would cut back through the recycling center. Deputy [redacted] drove north on Central Road and took a position mid-block, then made a U-turn when she heard the suspect had fled on foot. Deputies [redacted], [redacted] [redacted] Khounthavong, and [redacted] drove across the desert field, following the suspect.

Deputy Carpenter followed after the suspect on foot, while Deputy Barrera detained the occupants of the silver Honda, which had followed the suspect to the location. Deputy Barrera ran after Deputy Carpenter when Deputy [redacted] took over his position. As the suspect ran north behind the recycling center, he pulled the slide back on his weapon as if to put a round into the chamber of the weapon. The suspect ran directly toward Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle **([redacted], [redacted], [redacted], Barrera, [redacted], and Johnson's IAB interview, and Homicide Interview)**. Lieutenant Johnson saw the suspect running directly at him, so he bent down to retrieve his handgun from the floor of the vehicle, where he kept it while on surveillance. Lieutenant Johnson planned to take the suspect into custody when he ran past his vehicle. As he bent over, his front windshield was shot, knocking off his rear view mirror. When he sat up, the suspect was at his open driver's door. Lieutenant Johnson stated the suspect told him to get out of the car. Lieutenant Johnson swept the suspect's hands away with his left hand, and he felt the suspect would fire at him again. He fired two rounds at the torso of the suspect at point blank range. Lieutenant Johnson said he would have fired more, but he had knocked his firearm out of battery (double feed) when he pressed it into the suspect's chest. After he fired his two shots, the suspect ran off.

Deputies [redacted], [redacted] Carpenter, [redacted] and [redacted] saw the suspect shoot at the lieutenant and saw the altercation inside of Lieutenant Johnson's Vehicle. They heard additional shots and thought the suspect had killed Lieutenant Johnson. Deputy [redacted] waited for the suspect to clear away from Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle, and he shot at the suspect. The suspect continued to run north then turned west behind the rear of the liquor store. The suspect turned toward the deputies, who were behind him, and fired an unknown amount of shots at them. Deputies [redacted] and [redacted] returned fire at the suspect.



Deputy Barrera had just made it to the corner when he heard an exchange of gunfire. He saw the suspect pointing a weapon at deputies, so he fired one round at the suspect.

The suspect continued to run toward Central Road. Deputy Carpenter saw Deputy [redacted]s vehicle pull in front of the suspect, and he did not shoot. Deputy Carpenter saw the suspect shoot at Deputy [redacted] as she drove off, and he fired an unknown amount of rounds at the suspect.

Deputies [redacted], [redacted] Carpenter, Barrera and Lieutenant Johnson took positions at the northeast corner of the liquor store and heard Deputy [redacted] say, over the radio, she had been shot. Deputy [redacted] saw Deputy Arellano's vehicle approaching, and he yelled to watch for "cross fire." The suspect crossed Central Road and continued to fire at the deputies. Lieutenant Johnson and the deputies returned fire. The suspect fell to the ground. While on the ground, the suspect laid on his side and continued to shoot at them. The deputies all returned fire until they heard Sergeant [redacted] yell, "cease fire." The MCB personnel formed into an arrest team (Lieutenant Johnson, Sergeant [redacted] Deputies [redacted] Carpenter, [redacted], Barrera, [redacted] Shen, and Arellano) and crossed the street. Deputy [redacted] rolled the suspect over, and he was handcuffed. Deputy Shen kicked the weapon away from the suspect, which was near the suspect's right hand. Medical attention was requested for the suspect, and paramedics arrived within a few minutes. Deputies Khounthavong and [redacted] were parked a distance away, by a propane tank. They did not fire, because of the other deputies in front of them. Deputies [redacted] and Khounthavong ran over to Deputy [redacted] to check on her condition **(Exhibit A, IAB interviews, Homicide Interviews)**.

Deputy [redacted] heard, over the radio, the suspect was running. She drove north on Central Road. She heard gunfire, but did not see where it came from. As she got to the northeast corner of the shopping center, the suspect ran directly in front of her vehicle. She saw numerous deputies behind him. Deputy [redacted] stated the suspect pointed a gun at her, and then back toward the pursuing deputies. She saw the suspect fire at least one shot at the deputies and knew she was in the "kill zone," so she decided to move. The suspect had passed in front of her, so she drove north between a propane tank and a building. She stated she did not cross between the suspect and pursuing deputies; she turned the corner and paralleled the deputies. Deputy [redacted] made a right turn, when her rear window was shot. She felt like the back of her neck had been hit by a "baseball bat." Deputy [redacted] felt her neck for blood, but did not find any. She broadcast she had been shot and continued to drive south behind the business. Deputy [redacted] got out of her vehicle in the parking lot of the recycling center. She detained the occupants of the other vehicle, as well as people at the recycling center.

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Deputy [redacted] stated once the situation was under control, she sought medical attention **(Deputy [redacted]'s IAB interview, and Homicide interview)**.

Sergeant [redacted] stated he was at the northeast corner of the liquor store and saw the suspect running directly at him. The suspect ran by him with a handgun by his side. The suspect continued to run west across Central Road. Sergeant [redacted] ordered the suspect to drop the gun. The suspect turned toward the pursuing deputies and pointed the handgun at them. Fearing the suspect would shoot the deputies, he shot an unknown number of rounds at the suspect. Sergeant [redacted] ordered the suspect to drop the gun and get on the ground as the suspect stood on the dirt shoulder on the west side of Central Road. The suspect pointed the weapon at him, and Sergeant [redacted] shot another unknown volley of rounds at the suspect.

The suspect walked backward, still pointing the weapon at Sergeant [redacted] and the other deputies. The suspect fired one round, and Sergeant [redacted] fired again. Sergeant [redacted] took cover behind a vehicle, reloaded his weapon and shot (unknown number of rounds) again. The suspect went to the ground, but continued to shoot at the deputies. Sergeant [redacted] saw numerous deputies shooting at the suspect. He could see the bullets striking the ground near the suspect. The suspect rolled onto his back and dropped the weapon. Sergeant [redacted] immediately ordered a cease fire. They approached the suspect and took him into custody. Medical aid was summoned for the suspect. Sergeant [redacted] left the suspect to check on Deputy [redacted] **([redacted] IAB interview, Homicide Interview)**.

Deputies Arellano and Shen took positions on the northeast side of the business center. They saw the suspect run from the north side of the liquor store. The suspect ran across Central Road. The suspect fired at the deputies, who were located at the northeast corner of the liquor store. Deputy Arellano exited his vehicle and fired five times at the suspect while the suspect shot at the other deputies. Deputy Shen fired four times from her vehicle when the suspect was on the ground shooting. Both deputies (Arellano and Shen) heard the cease fire command and stopped firing. Deputies Arellano and Shen approached the suspect, and the suspect was subsequently handcuffed. Deputy Shen saw the suspect's weapon next to his hand, so she kicked it away **(Exhibit A, Homicide transcripts)**.

Deputy [redacted] detained the people who were in the recycling center when he heard gun shots. He heard the sound of the shots continue around to the north side of the business center. Deputy [redacted] took a position of cover at the southwest corner of the building. He saw the suspect lying on the dirt shoulder on the west side of Central Road.

The suspect was lying on his right side, taking controlled shots at Sergeant [redacted] and the deputies at the northeast corner of the liquor store. Deputy [redacted] yelled at the suspect to drop the gun. He fired two shots at the suspect, but saw that he missed. Deputy [redacted] adjusted his aim and shot three more times. The suspect looked at him, rolled onto his back, and stopped shooting. The other deputies approached the suspect and took him into custody. Deputy [redacted] continued detaining the people at the recycling center until back up arrived ([redacted] **IAB interview, Homicide interview)**.

## DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S LETTER OF OPINION

The San Bernardino County District Attorney's office reviewed the shooting of James Jaimez. In its letter of opinion **(Exhibit C)**, dated September 11, 2015, Deputy District Attorney Donna Kauffman concluded that Major Crimes Bureau Personnel acted lawfully in self-defense and in the defense of others.

## INVOLVED PERSONNEL:

**Johnson, Donnie, Lieutenant, #[redacted]** MB/55, 5-9, 180 lbs. Right Handed,
Major Crimes Bureau.

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| Date of Employment: | 11/14/1980 |
| Date assigned to MCB: | 05/13/2012 |
| Prior Shooting Incidents: | Two |
| Prior Founded Force Incidents: | [redacted] |

**[redacted], [redacted], Sergeant, #[redacted]** MH/50, 5-10, 180 lbs. Right Handed,
Major Crimes Bureau.

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| Date of Employment: | [redacted] |
| Date assigned to MCB: | |
| Prior Shooting Incidents: | |
| Prior Founded Force Incidents: | |

**[redacted], [redacted] Deputy, #[redacted]** MB/44, 6-1, 280 lbs. Right Handed,
Major Crimes Bureau.

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| Date of Employment: | [redacted] |
| Date assigned to MCB: | |
| Prior Shooting Incidents: | |
| Prior Founded Force Incidents: | |

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| **Barrera, Arturo, Deputy, #[redacted]**<br>Major Crimes Bureau. | MH/59, 5-7, 210 lbs. Right Handed, |
| Date of Employment: | 12/03/1986 |
| Date assigned to MCB: | 07/01/2007 |
| Prior Shooting Incidents: | One |
| Prior Founded Force Incidents: | [redacted] |
| **Shen, Ruth, Deputy, #[redacted](Retired)**<br>Major Crimes Bureau. | FO/56, 5-3, 135. Right Handed, |
| Date of Employment: | 10/19/1988 |
| Date assigned to MCB | 01/19/2003 |
| Prior Shooting Incidents: | [redacted] |
| Prior Founded Force Incidents: | |
| **[redacted] Deputy, #[redacted]**<br>Major Crimes Bureau. | MW/38, 6-2, 255 lbs. Right Handed, |
| Date of Employment: |  [redacted] |
| Date assigned to MCB: | |
| Prior Shooting Incidents: | |
| Prior Founded Force Incidents: | |
| **[redacted] Deputy, #[redacted]**<br>Major Crimes Bureau. | MW/47, 5-11, 200 lbs. Right Handed, |
| Date of Employment: |  [redacted] |
| Date assigned to MCB: | |
| Prior Shooting Incidents: | |
| Prior Founded Force: | |
| **Carpenter, Michael, Deputy, #[redacted]**<br>Major Crimes Bureau. | MW/38, 6-2, 250 lbs. Right Handed, |
| Date of Employment: | 09/22/1999 |
| Date assigned to MCB: | 09/02/2012 |
| Prior Shooting Incidents: | One |
| Prior Founded Force Incidents: | [redacted] |

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**[redacted] Deputy, #[redacted]** MW/46, 6-1, 225 lbs. Right Handed, Major Crimes Bureau.

Date of Employment: [redacted]
Date assigned to MCB:
Prior Shooting Incidents:
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

**Arellano, Jose, Deputy, #[redacted] (Retired)**. MH/59, 5-10, 175 lbs. Right Handed, Major Crimes Bureau.

Date of Employment: 12/21/1988
Date assigned to MCB: 07/01/2007
Prior Shooting Incidents: [redacted]
Prior Force Incidents:

**<u>SUSPECT:</u>**

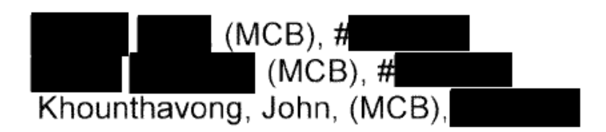
**Jaimez, James, William, MH/39**, DOB 11/19/1984, 5-11, 200 lbs. (Deceased).

The Consolidated Criminal History System [redacted]

Suspect Jaimez' Criminal History is included in the San Bernardino Homicide book as **(Exhibit A, tab 5)**.

Suspect Jaimez was a documented "SELA" Gang member.

**<u>DEPARTMENT WITNESSES:</u>**



[redacted] (MCB), #[redacted]
[redacted] (MCB), #[redacted]
Khounthavong, John, (MCB), [redacted]

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**NON-DEPARTMENT WITNESS:**



[redacted] FH, [redacted]
[redacted] MW, [redacted]
[redacted] FW, [redacted]
[redacted] MW, [redacted]
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[redacted] MH, [redacted]

**INJURIES:**

**SUSPECT:**

Suspect Jaimez sustained multiple gunshot wounds to the head, torso, hands, feet, and legs. He was pronounced dead at the location by San Bernardino County Fire Department, Paramedic Corral, #[redacted] at 1714 hours. The Fire Department report is included in **(Exhibit A, tab 36)**. The San Bernardino County Coroner's report under case number 701404843, is included in **(Exhibit A, tab 40-41)**.

**DEPARTMENT PERSONNELL:**

Deputy [redacted] sustained a gunshot graze abrasion to the back of the neck. Deputy [redacted] was treated at the hospital and released. Deputy [redacted]s injury was documented in an Employee Injury Report, under file number 014-00875-3421-501.

**PHYSICAL EVIDENCE:**

Numerous items of evidence were collected by personnel from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department's Scientific Investigations Division. Suspect Jaimez' firearm was among the items recovered and collected as evidence. Crime scene photographs and legends are included in **(Exhibit A, tab 7)**. A CD containing crime scene photographs with autopsy photographs is included in **(Exhibit B)**. A list with descriptions of evidence collected by the crime lab is included in **(Exhibit A, tab 42)**.

## DISTANCES:

Distances of shots fired for this incident were estimated from contact shots to one hundred and sixty seven feet. Measurements by the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Crime Lab were obtained by utilizing a "LEICA" C-10 true view system. A CD containing the LEICA measurements is included in the IAB case book in **(Exhibit B)**.

## INVESTIGATORS OBSEVATIONS:

The scene was described in detail by San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Homicide Investigators and documented with photographs. The scene description covered the entire incident with the five separate shooting locations **(Exhibit A tab 7)**. The descriptions were consistent with the observations of the IAB Investigators who responded to the scene.

## REVIEW OF RADIO TRANSMISSIONS:

No radio transmissions were available, because the incident occurred in Apple Valley. The location is outside the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Communications repeater coverage. Therefore, the frequency utilized by Major Crimes Bureau (Star-tac 2) was operated on "direct" mode, which can only be heard person-to-person.

## REVIEW OF VIDEO:

[redacted]

The Surveillance video from the [redacted] does not show the shooting, or the suspect. It only captured deputies arriving in their vehicles near a blue trash dumpster.

**Recycling Center**

**Channel-1, rear of recycling center.**

01:31-Suspect running north, reaching into waistband, looking to the rear at responding deputies.
01:35-Responding MCB vehicles crossing desert field.
01:41-Deputy Carpenter runs after suspect, additional vehicles crossing desert field. Deputies exit vehicles (top of video above green fence).
01:45-Deputy Barrera fires one round north, deputies appeared to be engaging suspect (top of video above green fence).

02:00-Deputies entered vehicles and followed suspect (top of video above green fence).
02:07-Deputy [redacted] drove south.
03:20-Deputy [redacted] walked south toward Deputy [redacted]s position, shooting has ended.

**Channel-2, interior of recycling center.**

00:23-Suspect vehicle entered parking lot.
01:08-Suspect walked into business.
01:24-Suspect exited business, patrol car entered parking lot.
01:27-Suspect Looked back at patrol car.
01:34-Deputy Barrera out of patrol car, on radio, pointing weapon at Suspect.
02:12-Employees ordered to ground.
02:54-Deputy Khounthavong ran to Deputy [redacted]s position (shooting over).
03:07-Deputy [redacted] detaining employees.
04:31-Deputies entered and cleared recycling center.

**Channel-3, rear of interior of recycling center.**

00:32-Suspect entered parking lot.
01:20-Suspect runs, Deputy Barrera behind him.
Rest of video same as channel-2.

**Channel-4, parking lot of recycling center.**

00:33-Honda and Suspect entered parking lot.
01:00-Suspect walked to business. Witness [redacted] waits by silver Honda.
01:27-Suspect looked behind him at patrol car.
01:29-Suspect reached into waistband, and ran.
01:33-MCB vehicles followed Suspect.
01:36-Deputy Carpenter ran after Suspect. Deputy Barrera ordered Witness [redacted] to the ground.
01:41-Deputy Barrera ran after Deputy Carpenter.
02:04-Witness [redacted] ordered out of silver Honda.
02:08-Deputy [redacted] arrived and detained Witnesses [redacted] and [redacted]
02:55-Deputy Khounthavong assisted Deputy [redacted] with witnesses (shooting over).
03:37-Deputy [redacted] Shen, and Sergeant [redacted] arrived and assisted. Deputy [redacted] checked for injury.
04:49-San Bernardino Sheriff arrived.

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IAB Note: **The video shows that from the time the Suspect entered the parking lot, and the shooting occurred, until San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department personnel arrived and took control of the location, was approximately four minutes.**

**WEAPONS USED BY DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL:**

**Lieutenant Johnson**

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| Service Weapon type: | Beretta 9mm Semi-Automatic |
| Rounds Fired: | 10 |
| Type of Ammunition: | Department Issued 147gr (Win) 9mm Lugar |
| Date Employee Last Qualified: | [redacted] |
| Equipment: | Green Sheriff's tactical vest |

**Sergeant [redacted]**

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|---|---|
| Service Weapon type: | Beretta 9mm Semi-Automatic |
| Rounds Fired: | 18 |
| Type of Ammunition: | Department Issued 147gr (Win) 9mm Lugar |
| Date Employee Last Qualified: | [redacted] |
| Equipment: | Green Sheriff's tactical vest, radio, 1 magazine 2 sets of handcuffs |

**Deputy [redacted]**

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|---|---|
| Service Weapon type: | Heckler & Koch M/P 5 |
| Rounds Fired: | 5 |
| Type of Ammunition: | Department Issued 147gr (Win) 9mm Lugar |
| Date Employee Last Qualified: | [redacted] |
| Equipment: | Green Sheriff's tactical vest. |

**Deputy Barrera**

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| Service Weapon type: | Beretta 9mm Semi-Automatic |
| Rounds Fired: | 3 |
| Type of Ammunition: | Department Issued 147gr (Win) 9mm Lugar |
| Date Employee Last Qualified: | [redacted] |
| Equipment: | 2 magazines, radio, 2 sets of handcuffs, baton, and pepper spray |

**Deputy Shen**

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| Service Weapon type: | Beretta 9mm Semi-Automatic |
| Rounds Fired: | 4 |
| Type of Ammunition: | Department Issued 147gr (Win) 9mm Lugar |
| Date Employee Last Qualified: | [redacted] |
| Equipment: | Green Sheriff's tactical vest, 2 magazines |

**Deputy [redacted]**

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|---|---|
| Service Weapon type: | Smith & Wesson 9mm Semi-Automatic |
| Rounds Fired: | 18 |
| Type of Ammunition: | Department Issued 147gr (Win) 9mm Lugar |
| Date Employee Last Qualified: | [redacted] |
| Equipment: | Green Sheriff's tactical vest with M4 magazine, handcuffs, and radio. Duty belt with 2 sets of handcuffs, magazine pouch, and Leatherman tool. |

**Deputy [redacted]**

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| Service Weapon type: | Smith & Wesson 9mm Semi-Automatic |
| Rounds Fired: | 5 |
| Type of Ammunition: | Department Issued 147gr (Win) 9mm Lugar |
| Date Employee Last Qualified: | [redacted] |
| Equipment: | Green Sheriff's tactical vest with handcuffs, magazine, and radio |

**Deputy Carpenter**

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| Service Weapon type: | Colt M4LE, 5.56mm duty rifle. |
| Rounds Fired: | 18 |
| Type of Ammunition: | Department Issued .223 ammunition. |
| Date Employee Last Qualified: | [redacted] |
| Equipment: | Green Sheriff's tactical vest |

**Deputy [redacted]**

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|---|---|
| Service Weapon type: | Beretta 9mm Semi-Automatic |
| Rounds Fired: | 12 |
| Type of Ammunition: | Department Issued 147gr (Win) 9mm Lugar |
| Date Employee Last Qualified: | [redacted] |
| Equipment: | Green Sheriff's tactical vest with 2 magazines |

**Deputy Arellano**

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| Service Weapon type: | Beretta 9mm Semi-Automatic |
| Rounds Fired: | 5 |
| Type of Ammunition: | Department Issued 147gr (Win) 9mm Lugar |
| Date Employee Last Qualified: | [redacted] |
| Equipment: | Green Sheriff's tactical vest with 2 magazines, and radio |

All of the weapons used by sheriff's personnel were examined and test fired by San Bernardino Sheriff's Crime Lab. The weapons were determined to be in working order. The Test Fire Exam reports are included in the San Bernardino Sherriff's Homicide case book as **Exhibit A tab 42**.

**WEAPON USED BY SUSPECT:**

A loaded, blue steel, 9mm handgun, (Beretta serial number [redacted]) was recovered from the suspect. Recovered from the weapon was one 9mm round in the chamber, and eight 9mm rounds from the magazine. The Suspect's weapon was reported as stolen from a burglary in Simi Valley. The Automated Firearms System (AFS) printout is included in the IAB case book in the **(Miscellaneous Documents)**.

> **IAB Note:** **The Suspect's weapon was determined to be the murder weapon used in the homicide in Montebello. See the Los Angeles County Fire Arms examination report in the IAB case book (Miscellaneous Documents).**

**PROPERTY DAMAGE:**

The rear cinder block wall of the [redacted] sustained numerous bullet strikes. Three civilian vehicles were struck by bullets **(Exhibit A, tab 7)**.

Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle sustained three bullet strikes. One bullet that struck the windshield was never recovered. The two bullet strikes to the rear of the vehicle were determined to have come from a shooter other than the suspect, based on trajectory. The actual fragments recovered were too damaged to identify what type of weapon they came from. However, one bullet jacket was consistent with Winchester Ranger Ammunition **(Exhibit A, tab 42, report number 14-10931-F-03)**.

Deputy [redacted]s vehicle sustained one bullet strike **(Exhibit A, tab 7)**. The bullet fragment recovered from Deputy [redacted]s vehicle was eliminated as being fired from a Beretta pistol, based on the lands and grooves. The Beretta pistol has six lands and grooves,

and the recovered fragment only had five. The Smith & Wesson M&P pistol consists of five lands and grooves **(Exhibit A, tab 42, report number 14-10931-F-04)**.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATORS/CHARGES FILED:**

Investigators: Detectives [redacted], [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted] under the command of Sergeant [redacted] from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau.

Charges: None, suspect deceased.

**LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS:**

The incident took place on a warm, clear day at approximately 1700 hours, with full sunlight.

**STATEMENTS:**

**DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL:**

San Bernardino County Sheriff's Homicide Investigators interviewed the following Department personnel: Lieutenant Johnson, Sergeant [redacted], Sergeant Haughey, Deputies [redacted] Arellano, [redacted] Barrera, [redacted] Carpenter, Shen, [redacted] Khounthavong, [redacted] Luther, and [redacted] The Interviews were summarized in **(Exhibit A, tabs 8-21)**. San Bernardino County Sheriff's Homicide investigators provided a CD **(Exhibit B)** with the audio recordings of the interviews. IAB Investigators had the interviews transcribed. For the verbatim statements see the attached transcribed interviews in the IAB case book.

Internal Affairs Bureau investigators interviewed the following Department personnel: Lieutenant Johnson, Sergeant [redacted] Deputies [redacted] [redacted] Barrera, [redacted] Carpenter, Shen, [redacted] Khounthavong, [redacted] and [redacted] Diagrams and photographs used for each interview are included in the IAB case book as **(Exhibits D-N)**.

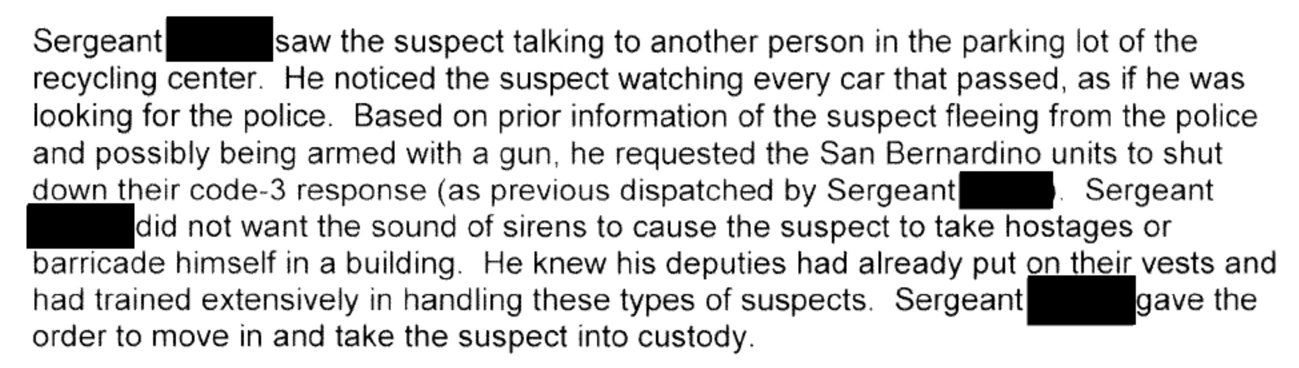
**IAB Note:** **Deputy Arellano (Job Number 50638), and Deputy Shen (Job Number 50694) are retired and declined to be interviewed for this administrative investigation.**

**Lieutenant Donnie Johnson**

Lieutenant Johnson stated when he arrived, he saw the suspect run from Deputy Barrera. Lieutenant Johnson drove around the northeast side of the shopping center and south behind the buildings. Lieutenant Johnson saw the suspect running directly at him. He bent down to retrieve his handgun from the floor of the vehicle, where he kept it while on surveillance. Lieutenant Johnson planned to take the suspect into custody when he ran past his vehicle. As Lieutenant Johnson retrieved his weapon, his front windshield was shot, knocking off his rear view mirror. When he sat back up, the suspect was at his open driver's door. Lieutenant Johnson had previously opened his door to contact the suspect. The suspect told him to get out of the car.

He swept the suspect's hands away with his left hand, because he felt the suspect would fire at him again. He did not recall if the suspect was actually holding a weapon at that moment. Lieutenant Johnson fired two rounds at the suspect at point blank range. Lieutenant Johnson said he would have fired more, but had knocked his own firearm out of battery (double feed) when he pressed it into the suspect's chest. After he fired his two shots, the suspect ran off. Lieutenant Johnson cleared the malfunction to his weapon and took a position next to Deputy Carpenter, who was at the northeast corner of the liquor store. Lieutenant Johnson saw the suspect shoot at Deputy Carpenter. Fearing the suspect would shoot him or one of the deputies, Lieutenant Johnson fired an unknown number of shots at the suspect until the suspect dropped the weapon. Lieutenant Johnson and other deputies crossed Central Road and took the suspect into custody. Medical aid was requested to treat the suspect. Lieutenant Johnson then left the suspect to check on Deputy [redacted]

**Sergeant [redacted]**



Sergeant [redacted] saw the suspect talking to another person in the parking lot of the recycling center. He noticed the suspect watching every car that passed, as if he was looking for the police. Based on prior information of the suspect fleeing from the police and possibly being armed with a gun, he requested the San Bernardino units to shut down their code-3 response (as previous dispatched by Sergeant [redacted]. Sergeant [redacted] did not want the sound of sirens to cause the suspect to take hostages or barricade himself in a building. He knew his deputies had already put on their vests and had trained extensively in handling these types of suspects. Sergeant [redacted] gave the order to move in and take the suspect into custody.

Sergeant [redacted] parked his vehicle north of the recycling center and took a position to see if the suspect would cut back through the recycling center. Sergeant [redacted] was at

the northeast corner of the liquor store when he saw the suspect running directly at him. The suspect ran by him holding a handgun by his side and continued west across Central Road. Sergeant [redacted] ordered the suspect to drop the gun. The suspect pointed his handgun back toward the deputies, who were pursuing him on foot. Fearing the suspect was going to shoot the deputies, he shot an unknown number of rounds at the suspect. Sergeant [redacted] again ordered the suspect to drop the gun and get on the ground. By this time, the suspect was standing on the dirt shoulder on the west side of Central Road. The suspect pointed the weapon at him. Sergeant [redacted] believed the suspect would shoot him, so he shot (unknown how many rounds) again.

The suspect walked backward, still pointing the weapon at Sergeant [redacted] and the other deputies. The suspect fired one round; still fearing for his life, Sergeant [redacted] fired again (unknown shots). Sergeant [redacted] took cover behind a vehicle, reloaded his weapon and shot another volley (unknown rounds). The suspect went to the ground, but continued to shoot at the deputies. Sergeant [redacted] saw numerous deputies shooting at the suspect. He could see the bullets striking the ground. The suspect subsequently rolled onto his back and dropped the weapon.

Sergeant [redacted] immediately ordered a cease fire. Deputies approached the suspect and took him into custody. Sergeant [redacted] advised Sergeant [redacted] (SBCS) of the shooting and requested her to call medical aid. Medical aid was arrived and treated the suspect. Seeing the suspect was subdued, Sergeant [redacted] left to check on Deputy [redacted]

**Deputy Jose Arellano**

Deputy Arellano stated he took a position to the northeast of the shopping center. He saw the suspect run from the northeast side of the liquor store toward Central Road. The suspect ran across Central Road to the west side. The suspect fired at the deputies, who were located at the northeast corner of the liquor store. Deputy Arellano exited his vehicle and fired five rounds at the suspect, fearing for the deputies' lives. Deputy Arellano heard the cease fire command and stopped firing. He approached the suspect and handcuffed him. Deputy Arellano stayed with the suspect until paramedics pronounced him dead.

**Deputy [redacted]**

Deputy [redacted] stated he identified a black Nissan pickup as the one associated with Suspect Jaimez based on the license plate. The vehicle was at the Laramie Road location, where MCB detectives were conducting a surveillance. The vehicle went

mobile, and Deputy [redacted] followed it north on Central Road. Deputy [redacted] turned east on Bear Valley Road when the vehicle drove into the parking lot of the recycling center.

Deputy [redacted] drove north into the field, which is east of the recycling center. He saw the suspect run north behind the recycling center. He drove across the field and saw the suspect with a handgun. The suspect pulled the slide back on the weapon, as if to chamber a round. Deputy [redacted] said the suspect ran directly toward Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle. The suspect shot at the lieutenant's vehicle. The suspect approached Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle and engaged in some type of altercation with the lieutenant at the driver's door of the vehicle. Deputy [redacted] thought the suspect had killed Lieutenant Johnson. Deputy [redacted] followed the suspect and took a position at the northeast corner of the liquor store. At that moment, he heard [redacted] broadcast she had been shot.

Deputy [redacted] saw the suspect cross Central Road and continued to fire at him. He fired an unknown number of rounds at the suspect, fearing for his life. The suspect fell to the ground. While on the ground, the suspect laid on his side and continued to shoot at the deputies. He returned fire (unknown rounds) until he heard Sergeant [redacted] yell, "cease fire." Deputy [redacted] crossed Central Road and used his foot and turned the suspect over onto his stomach. He held the Suspect down with his foot until the suspect was in custody.

**Deputy Arturo Barrera**

Deputy Barrera was assigned as the "take down" car and was in a black and white patrol vehicle. Deputy Barrera pulled into the parking lot of the recycling center, behind the suspect. As soon as the suspect saw him, the suspect began running southeast around to the east side of the recycling center. The suspect retrieved a handgun from his waistband. Deputy Barrera saw Deputy Carpenter chase after the suspect on foot.

Deputy Barrera detained the occupants who were in a silver Honda, which had followed the suspect to the location. Once Deputy [redacted] had relieved him, Deputy Barrera ran to assist Deputy Carpenter. The suspect then ran north behind the recycling center. Deputy Barrera observed the suspect pull the slide back on a handgun he was holding.

The suspect ran directly toward Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle, which was on the north side of the business center. Deputy Barrera had just rounded the corner when he heard an exchange of gunfire. He saw the suspect pointing a weapon at deputies. Believing his partners' lives were in danger, Deputy Barrera fired one round at the suspect. The suspect continued to run toward Central Road, so Deputy Barrera took a position at the

northeast corner of the liquor store. Deputy Barrera stated the suspect went down. While on the ground, the suspect laid on his side and continued to shoot at them. Still fearing for his and his partners' lives, he returned fire (unknown number of shots) until he heard Sergeant [redacted] call for a cease fire.

**Deputy Ruth Shen**

Deputy Shen had taken a position on the northeast side of the location. Deputy Shen saw the suspect run from the area of the liquor store. The suspect ran west across Central Road and fired at the deputies located at the northeast corner of the liquor store. Deputy Shen feared the suspect was going to kill her partners, so she fired four rounds at the suspect from her vehicle. Deputy Shen heard the cease fire command and stopped shooting. She approached the suspect, who was subsequently handcuffed. Deputy Shen stated she saw the suspect's weapon next to his hand, so she kicked it away.

**Deputy [redacted]**

Deputy [redacted] was in the field east of the recycling center when he saw the suspect run north behind the recycling center. The suspect had a gun in his hand and pulled the slide back, as if to put a round into the chamber. The suspect ran directly toward Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle. Deputy [redacted] saw the suspect shoot at Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle. After shooting at the lieutenant's vehicle, he noticed the suspect and lieutenant appeared to be involved in some type of altercation at the driver's door. Deputy [redacted] waited for the suspect to clear away from Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle. Fearing the suspect would continue to shoot at personnel, he shot an unknown number of rounds at the suspect. The suspect then ran north and turned west behind the rear of the liquor store. Deputy [redacted] stated the Suspect turned toward the deputies, who were behind him, and fired an unknown amount of shots at them. Deputies [redacted] returned fire at the suspect. He could not recall how many shots he fired at the suspect.

The suspect ran west toward Central Road. Deputy [redacted] took a position at the northeast corner of the liquor store. At that point, he heard Deputy [redacted] broadcast she had been shot. The suspect crossed Central Road and continued to fire at deputies. Deputy [redacted] again returned fire (unknown how many shots), and this time the suspect fell to the ground. While on the ground, the suspect laid on his side and continued to shoot at them. Deputy [redacted] fired more rounds (unknown amount) until he heard Sergeant [redacted] yell, "cease fire." Deputy [redacted] crossed Central Road and assisted in handcuffing the suspect.

**Deputy [redacted]**

After the suspect ran from deputies, Deputy [redacted] detained people who were in the recycling center. While detaining the subjects, he heard gun shots. He heard the gunfire moving around the north side of the business center. Not wanting to get shot, Deputy [redacted] took a position of cover at the southwest corner of the building. He saw the suspect lying on his side taking controlled shots at Sergeant [redacted] and deputies at the northeast corner of the liquor store. Deputy [redacted] yelled at the suspect to drop the gun. Believing the suspect was trying to kill his partners, he fired two shots at the suspect, but saw that he missed. Deputy [redacted] adjusted his aim and shot (unknown rounds) again. The suspect looked at him and rolled onto his back. Deputy [redacted] saw other deputies approach the suspect and take him into custody. Deputy [redacted] refocused his attention on the people he was detaining.

**Deputy Michael Carpenter**

Deputy Carpenter pulled into the parking lot with Deputy Barrera. Deputy Carpenter saw the suspect flee on foot, so he followed him. As the suspect ran north behind the recycling center, He saw the suspect with a handgun. The suspect pulled the slide back on the weapon, as if to chamber a round. The suspect ran directly toward Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle, which was north of the complex. The suspect fired at Lieutenant Johnson. As he got closer, Deputy Carpenter saw that the suspect and Lieutenant Johnson appeared to be involved in an altercation at the lieutenant's vehicle. He thought the suspect had killed Lieutenant Johnson. He saw the suspect run toward Central Road. Deputy Carpenter saw Deputy [redacted]s vehicle pull in front of the suspect, so he did not shoot. The Suspect shot at Deputy [redacted] as she drove off. In an effort to stop the suspect from shooting at Deputy [redacted] he fired several (unknown number) shots at the suspect.

Deputy Carpenter took a position at the north/east corner of the liquor store and heard Deputy [redacted] say, over the radio, she was shot. Deputy Carpenter saw the Suspect cross Central Road and continue to fire at them. Deputy Carpenter returned fire, and the Suspect fell to the ground. While on the ground, the Suspect laid on his side and continued to shoot at them. Deputy Carpenter returned fire until he heard Sergeant [redacted] yell, "cease fire." Deputy Carpenter stated he covered the arrest team as they took the Suspect into custody.

**Deputy [redacted]**

Deputy [redacted] was in the field east of the recycling center when he saw the suspect run toward the north side of the businesses. The suspect ran toward Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle, which was east of the complex. The suspect had a handgun and pulled the slide back, as if to put a round into the chamber. Deputy [redacted] saw the suspect shoot at the lieutenant. The suspect and lieutenant immediately engaged in an altercation at the door of Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle. He heard additional shots and thought the suspect had killed Lieutenant Johnson. The suspect then ran west behind the rear of the liquor store. The Suspect turned back toward Deputy [redacted] and fired an unknown amount of shots at him. Fearing for his life, Deputy [redacted] returned fire (twelve rounds) at the suspect, with a block wall as back drop. Deputy [redacted] did not fire any additional rounds, due to the other deputies already firing at the suspect.

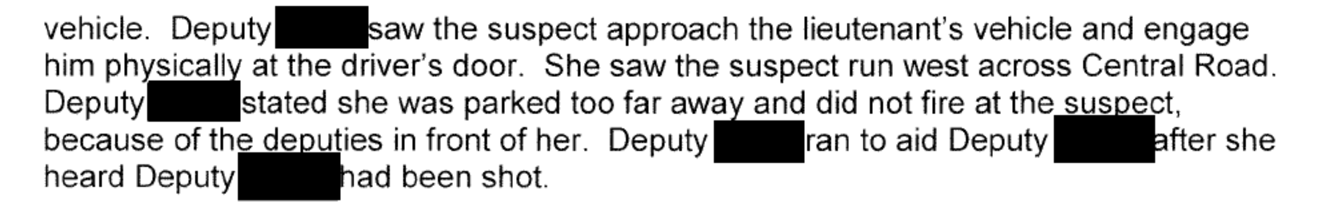
**Deputy [redacted]**

Deputy [redacted] heard a radio broadcast that the suspect was running, so she drove north on Central Road. She heard gunfire, but did not see where it was coming from. As she got to the northeast corner of the shopping center, the suspect ran directly in front of her vehicle. Deputy [redacted] saw numerous deputies behind him. Deputy [redacted] stated the suspect pointed a gun at her, and then back toward the pursuing deputies. She saw the suspect fire at least one shot at the deputies and knew she was in the "kill zone." She decided to move out of the line of fire.

The suspect passed in front of her, so she drove north between a propane tank and a building. Deputy [redacted] stated she did not cross between the suspect and pursuing deputies. She turned the corner and paralleled the deputies. Deputy [redacted] stated as, she was making the turn, her rear window was shot out. She felt severe pain in the back of her neck, as though she had been hit by a "baseball bat." Deputy [redacted] felt her neck for blood, but did not find any. Deputy [redacted] broadcast she had been shot and continued to drive south behind the businesses. Deputy [redacted] got out of her vehicle at the parking lot of the recycling center and detained the occupants of the Honda. Once the situation was under control, she sought medical attention.

**Deputy [redacted]**

Deputy [redacted] stated she was driving across the dirt field, east of the recycling center. She saw the suspect run toward Lieutenant Johnson, who had pulled his vehicle into the filed east of the center. Deputy [redacted] saw the suspect with a gun. As the suspect ran, he pulled the slide back on the weapon. The suspect shot at Lieutenant Johnson's


vehicle. Deputy [redacted] saw the suspect approach the lieutenant's vehicle and engage him physically at the driver's door. She saw the suspect run west across Central Road. Deputy [redacted] stated she was parked too far away and did not fire at the suspect, because of the deputies in front of her. Deputy [redacted] ran to aid Deputy [redacted] after she heard Deputy [redacted] had been shot.

**Deputy John Khounthavong**

Deputy Khounthavong said he was driving across the dirt field when he heard shots. He saw the altercation between the suspect and Lieutenant Johnson inside of Lieutenant Johnson's vehicle. Deputy Khounthavong then saw the suspect run west across Central Road. Deputy Khounthavong stated he was too far away and did not fire, because of the deputies in front of him. Deputies Khounthavong also ran to aid Deputy [redacted]

**Deputy Michael Luther**

Deputy Luther stated he was the pilot of Air-35. Deputy Luther did not see any of the shooting, because he was at 9500 feet in the air and concentrating on flying. Deputy Luther heard Sergeant Haughey broadcast "998" over the radio when the shooting occurred.

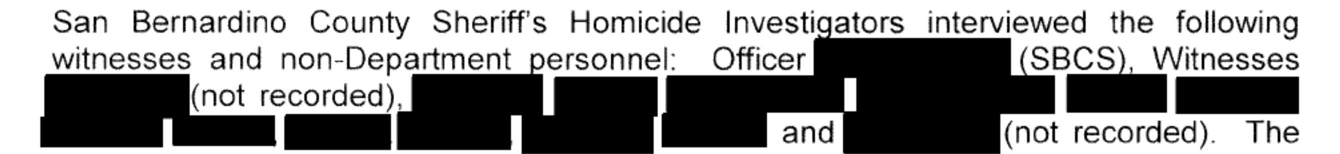
**IAB Note: The radio code "998" stands for deputy involved in a shooting.**

**Sergeant John Haughey**

Sergeant Haughey was monitoring the surveillance equipment in Air-35. He saw the black Nissan leave the Laramie location and tracked it to the recycling center. Sergeant Haughey could see the deputies involved in a shooting, but was too high to identify the shooters. He stated there was no audio or video recording of the incident.

***For complete statements made, more information, and precise wording, see the attached verbatim interview transcriptions.***

**NON DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL:**


San Bernardino County Sheriff's Homicide Investigators interviewed the following witnesses and non-Department personnel: Officer [redacted] (SBCS), Witnesses [redacted] (not recorded), [redacted] and [redacted] (not recorded). The

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# DEPUTY INVOLVED HIT SHOOTING

## INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

Interviews were summarized in **(Exhibit A, tabs 24-37)**. San Bernardino County Sheriff's Homicide investigators provided a CD **(Exhibit B)** with the audio recordings of the interviews. IAB Investigators had the interviews transcribed. For the verbatim statements, see the attached transcribed interviews in the IAB case book.

**Officer [redacted] (SBCS)**

Officer [redacted] stated he responded to the location, after he heard a shooting occurred. When he arrived, the suspect was already subdued and deceased.

**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] stated he [redacted] the metal recycling center and was talking to man (the suspect) when deputies arrived. Witness [redacted] knew they were police by the way they were dressed, wearing green vests with "Sheriff" on them. He said the suspect ran, and he was ordered onto the ground. Witness [redacted] did not see the shooting, but heard it.

**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] was driving north on Central Road. He saw six to seven police officers wearing green vests with "Sheriff" on them. He saw a man (suspect) run east in the parking lot of the liquor store. The suspect shot at the police as he ran from them. He saw the police shoot back, and the suspect fell on the west side of Central Road.

**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] stated he was stopped at the intersection of Central Road and Bear Valley Road. He saw detectives wearing green vests with gold stars and "Sheriff" on them. He saw a man (the suspect) run west across Central Road. The suspect had his hands in front of him and elbows bent. Witness [redacted] did not see the suspect with a gun, but saw the deputies shooting at him. He estimated hearing forty shots. Witness [redacted] stated he videotaped the incident with his cell phone and posted the video on "YouTube."

**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] was at the intersection of Central Road and Bear Valley Road. She saw a man (suspect) run west across Central Road. He appeared to be holding his pants up. She saw numerous officers shooting at the suspect even after he was on his back. Witness [redacted] identified the officers by the green vests they wore.

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**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] stated he was facing west on Bear Valley Road. He saw a subject (the suspect) running. The suspect raise his hand toward some officers. He saw smoke come from the suspect's hand, but did not see a gun. Witness [redacted] heard someone yell "stop" and "don't" approximately three times. He saw the suspect attempt to open a car door, and then the suspect turned to face the nearest officer. Witness [redacted] identified the officers by the tactical vests and sewn on badges. He ducked down in his vehicle and heard approximately forty gunshots. Witness [redacted] sat back up and saw a female officer crouched on one knee with several officers checking her neck.

**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] was driving east on Bear Valley Road, waiting to turn north on Central Road, when she thought her tire exploded. She saw numerous law enforcement officers along the northeast corner of Central Road. Witness [redacted] knew they were law enforcement by their green vests with "Sheriff" on them. She saw a person (the suspect) on the ground on the west side of Central Road. The suspect was bleeding from his legs, but his torso was upright. Witness [redacted] saw officers approaching the suspect telling him to get down. She stated the suspect tried to stand up, but the officers shot him. She did not see a gun in the suspect's hands.

**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] said he saw a man (suspect) in the middle of Central Road, pointing a handgun at officers. The officers were east of the suspect, in front of the liquor store. Witness [redacted] saw the suspect fire at the officers four times, and the officers returned fire. He saw the suspect go to the ground and appeared to surrender. The officers approached and took the suspect into custody. Witness [redacted] stated one officer was in full uniform, and the others had green vests on. Witness [redacted] vehicle was damaged by one shot that went completely through his rear door and out the other side.

**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] stated he was the passenger in the silver Honda. Witness [redacted] asked him to accompany her to the recycling center. He did not know he was following the suspect, as he was sleeping in the car. When they arrived at the recycling center, they were detained and handcuffed. Witness [redacted] heard gunshots, but did not see any shooting. He stated he rents a room at the Laramie location and had only met the suspect a few times.

**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] was the [redacted] at the recycling center. She saw two vehicles enter the parking lot, but the business was closed. She heard someone yell, "He's running." On the security monitor, she saw two people run behind the business. Shortly thereafter, she and the other employees were detained by the officers. Witness [redacted] did not see the shooting; she only heard gunshots.

**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] was at the intersection of Bear Valley Road and Central Road. He was the first vehicle in the left turn lane for northbound Central Road. He said he saw a person (the suspect) running west across Central Road with his hands in his waist area. He saw five to six officers on the east side of Central Road, dressed in vests marked "Sheriff." The suspect raised what looked like a ".45" handgun at the deputies. He heard a barrage of gunfire. Witness [redacted] stated it looked like the suspect was "dodging" the bullets, as the suspect fired at the deputies. The suspect finally went to the ground after being shot in the legs. When the suspect went to the ground, he could not see the suspect's hands, but the deputies continued to fire. Witness [redacted] stated the suspect was taken into custody, and medical aid responded for him.

**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] knew the suspect since high school, but had not seen him for about fifteen years. She stated she ran into the suspect in May of 2014. The suspect showed up at her house on June 23, 2014, at approximately 0300 hours. He told her he was having problems with his girlfriend. The suspect stayed with her until June 25, 2014, when she followed him to the recycling center. Witness [redacted] had no idea the suspect was in legal trouble, or that he had a gun. She said when they arrived at the recycling center, officers wearing green bullet proof vests ran up on them yelling. She did not know what they were yelling, but the suspect ran east. Witness [redacted] was ordered to the ground and did not see the shooting, but heard fifteen to twenty gunshots.

**Witness [redacted]**

Witness [redacted] saw a man (the suspect) running southbound on Central Road, on the west side. The suspect was pointing a gun in the direction of the liquor store. He observed a male and female police officer at the northwest corner of the recycling center. Witness [redacted] stated the male officer appeared to exchange gunfire with the suspect.

Witness [redacted] stated when he saw the suspect running, it appeared the suspect was limping. He did not see anything else, because he ducked down in his vehicle.

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